

with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission an application for recertification of a facility as a qualifying small power production facility pursuant to § 292.207 (b) and (d)(2) of the Commission's Regulations. No determination has been made that the submittal constitutes a complete filing.

The facility was previously self-certified as a qualifying small power production facility in 1989 in Docket No. QF89-297-000 and again self-certified in Docket Nos. QF89-297-002 and 003. Recertification is being sought to reflect a change in status of the owner of the facility.

*Comment date:* November 30, 1998, in accordance with Standard Paragraph E at the end of this notice.

#### Standard Paragraphs

E. Any person desiring to be heard or to protest said filing should file a motion to intervene or protest with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426, in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211 and 18 CFR 385.214). All such motions or protests should be filed on or before the comment date. Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a motion to intervene. Copies of these filings are on file with the Commission and are available for public inspection.

**David P. Boergers,**

*Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

[Project No. 2073]

##### Wisconsin Electric Power Company; Notice of Availability of Draft Application and Preliminary Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA)

November 4, 1998.

Take notice that the following hydroelectric application has been filed with the Commission and is available for public inspection:

a. *Type of Application:* Major New License.

b. *Project No.* 2073.

c. *Applicant:* Wisconsin Electric Power Company.

d. *Name of Project:* Michigamme Falls Hydroelectric Project.

e. *Location:* Michigamme River near Crystal Falls, Iron Mountain, and Kingsford, in Iron County, Michigan.

f. *Applicant Contact:* Ms. Rita L. Hayen, P.E., Wisconsin Electric Power Company, 333 W. Everett Street, P.O. Box 2046, Milwaukee, WI 53201-2046.

g. *FERC Contract:* Patti Leppert-Slack, (202) 219-2767.

h. Wisconsin Electric Power Company (Wisconsin Electric) mailed a copy of the Draft License Application and Preliminary DEA to all entities on October 20, 1998. The Commission received a copy of the Draft License Application and Preliminary DEA on October 22, 1998. Copies of these documents, as well as the resource study reports previously distributed for review and comment, are available for review at Wisconsin Electric's Office, 800 Industrial Park Drive, Iron Mountain, Michigan.

Copies are also available at the following libraries: Crystal Falls District Community Library, 401 Superior Ave., Crystal Falls, Michigan; Dickinson County Library, 401 Iron Mountain St., Iron Mountain, Michigan; and Dickinson County Library-Norway Branch, 620 Section St., Norway, Michigan.

i. As discussed in the Commission's June 14, 1996, letter to all parties, with this notice we are soliciting preliminary terms, conditions, and recommendations on the Draft License Application and Preliminary DEA.

j. All comments on the Draft License Application and Preliminary DEA should be sent to the address noted above in Item (f), with one copy filed with the Commission at the following address: Patti Leppert-Slack, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Room 72-33, Washington, DC 20426.

All comments must include the project name and number, and bear the heading "Preliminary Comments," "Preliminary Recommendations," "Preliminary Terms and Conditions," or "Preliminary Prescriptions." Any party interested in commenting must do so on or before January 22, 1999.

**Linwood A. Watson, Jr.,**

*Acting Secretary.*

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#### DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

##### Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

##### Notice of Intent To File An Application for a New License

November 4, 1998.

a. *Type of filing:* Notice of Intent to File An Application for a New License.

b. *Project No.:* 469.

c. *Date filed:* October 23, 1998.

d. *Submitted By:* Minnesota Power, Inc., current licensee.

e. *Name of Project:* Winton Project.

f. *Location:* On the Kawishiwi River, in St. Louis and Lake Counties, Minnesota.

g. *Filed Pursuant to:* Section 15 of the Federal Power Act, 18 CFR 16.6 of the Commission's regulations.

h. *Effective date of current license:* March 1, 1981.

i. *Expiration date of current license:* October 31, 2003.

j. *The project consists of two developments:* The Winton Development consists of: (1) a concrete dam comprising: (a) a 176-foot-long spillway section; (b) a 84-foot-long taintor gate section; (c) a 80-foot-long stop-log gate section; (d) a 111-foot-long and 120-foot-long non-over-flow section; and (e) a 161-foot-long intake section; (2) approximately 1,500-foot-long earth dikes; (3) a 2,982-acre reservoir comprising of the Garden, Farm, and Friday Lakes at normal water surface of the Garden, Farm, and Friday Lakes at normal water surface elevation of 1,388.0 feet msl; (4) two 250-foot-long, 9-foot-diameter penstocks extending to; (5) a powerhouse containing two generating units with a total installed capacity of 4,000 kW; and (6) appurtenant facilities.

The Birch Lake Reservoir Development consists of: (1) 227-foot-long rock-filled timber crib dam comprising: (a) a 72-foot-long taintor gate section; and (b) a 85-foot-long sluice gate section; (2) the 7,724-acre Birch Lake reservoir at normal water surface elevation of 1,418.0 feet msl. This development provides water storage for the Winton Development.

k. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.7, information on the project is available at: Minnesota Power, Inc., 30 West Superior Street, Duluth, MN 55802, Ms. Ingrid Kane, (218) 720-2534.

l. *FERC contact:* Tom Dean (202) 219-2778.

m. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.9 each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the